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FM AMEMBASSY LONDON

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INFO AMEMBASSY BONN PRIORITY

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AMCONSUL KISANGANI

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: US, CASC, UG

SUBJECT: REPORT OF AMCITS UNDER ARREST IN UGANDA

1. FOREIGN OFFICE INFORMS US THAT REPORTS FROM ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER IN KAMPALA INDICATE THAT THERE WERE NO RPT NO AMERICAN CITIZENS IN GROUP OF 33 FOREIGNERS ARRESTED YESTERDAY AFTER CROSSING BORDER AT KISORA AND ACCUSED OF BEING MERCENARIES.

2. BRITISH DEFENSE ADVISER BUMPED INTO GROUP QUITE BY ACCIDENT AS THEY WERE BEING HERDED DOWN STREET IN KAMPALA TO DETENTION FACILITY OPERATED BY MINISTRY OF DEFENSE. LEADER TOLD DEFENSE ADVISER THAT GROUP, WHICH IS COMPOSED OF STUDENTS FROM BRITAIN, CANADA, AUSTRALIA, NETHERLANDS AND JAPAN, HAD BEEN TRAVELLING ACROSS AFRICA IN FIVE LANDROVERS. THEY HAD INTENDED TO GO DIRECTLY
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FROM RWANDA TO TANZANIA, BUT UPON LEARNING THAT THE ROAD

WAS IN POOR CONDITION THEY DECIDED TO DETOUR THROUGH
UGANDA.

3. IN MESSAGE DESPATCHED AT 0949Z DECEMBER 13, HICOMER
KAMPALA REPORTED THAT BRITISH CONSUL HAD BEEN ABLE TO
GET INSIDE COMPOUND WHERE GROUP WAS BEING HELD. HE
THOUGHT THEY WOULD PROBABLY BE RELEASED TODAY, DECEMBER
13.

4. FCO HAS PROMISED TO DOUBLE CHECK INFORMATION THAT
NO AMERICANS ARE INCLUDED AMONG THE DETAINEES.

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